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ELECTION

Sir:

In the Official Action mailed September 6, 2002, having a shortened time period for response which expires on October 7, 2002, the Examiner has requested an election under 35 U.S.C. §121 between the following species:

- Species I - directed to Figures 3, 4a, 4b, 6a;
- Species II - directed to Figure 5a, 5b, 6b;
- Species III - directed to Figure 8 and 9a;
- Species IV - directed to Figure 9b;
- Species V - directed to Figure 10; and
- Species VI - directed to Figure 11a and 11b.

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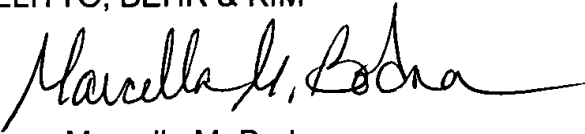
In response to the Examiner's request, applicant hereby elects Species I (i.e., Figures 3, 4a, 4b, and 6a) for further prosecution herein. Pending Claims 15-23, 25-28, and 30-37 are believed to be readable upon the elected species. Although the foregoing election is made without traverse, applicant hereby reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected species.

If a generic claim is ultimately allowed, it is understood that applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims directed to some or all of the non-elected species. Contrary to the position taken by the Examiner, Claims 15-19, 25, 26, and 30-37 are believed to be generic.

In view of the foregoing election, the applicant respectfully requests that this application be examined on the merits. If there are any fees due in connection with the submittal of this Election, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 19-1218.

Respectfully submitted,

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